

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1462**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Adams**

February 23, 2007

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An act to amend Section 11462.02 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to foster care.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1462, as introduced, Adams. AFDC-FC payments: for-profit foster care facilities.

Existing law establishes the Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) program, under which counties provide payments to foster care providers, including group homes, on behalf of qualified children in foster care. The program is funded by a combination of federal, state, and county funds, with money from the General Fund being continuously appropriated to pay for the state's share of AFDC-FC costs.

Existing law designates the various placements which may be made for a child eligible for AFDC-FC benefits, including a licensed group home. Existing law defines a group home for purposes of the AFDC-FC program as a nondetention privately operated residential home, organized and operated on a nonprofit basis only, of any capacity, that provides services in a group setting to children in need of care and supervision.

Existing law requires foster care providers licensed as group homes to have rates established by the State Department of Social Services only if the group home is organized and operated on a nonprofit basis, except as specified.

This bill, notwithstanding existing law, would require the department to establish a rate for a for-profit foster care facility licensed as a group home that is approved by the regional center, and for which the county placing agency demonstrates that there are no alternative placement resources.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 11462.02 of the Welfare and Institutions  
2     Code is amended to read:  
3     11462.02. (a) Notwithstanding paragraph (2) of subdivision  
4     (a) of Section 11462, a foster care provider licensed as a group  
5     home may also have a rate established if the group home is  
6     operated by the County of San Mateo, as provided by subdivision  
7     (h) of Section 11400.  
8     (b) *Notwithstanding paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section*  
9     *11462, a for-profit foster care facility licensed as a group home*  
10    *shall have a rate established if both of the following conditions*  
11    *are met:*  
12    (1) *The facility is approved by the regional center.*  
13    (2) *The county placing agency demonstrates that there are no*  
14    *alternative placement resources.*